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In re Application of: L. Taizo TOELKEN

Application No.: 10/076,035

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For: ULTRASOUND QUALITY INSPECTION OF AVIAN EGGS

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Attn: Box Missing Parts
Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Please amend the above-identified application, prior to examination, as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 5, line 3, with the following rewritten paragraph.

--In general, the positive indication of premium grade is correlatable to egg shell quality.

A) In turn, egg shell quality is associated with a quality determination of the avian egg as a whole in terms of relating to fertility or hatching or hatchling viability as well as being of sufficient quality for human consumption.